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P&G Case 6768CD

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the application of :

Kevin Lee Kott, et al. :

Confirmation No. 8450

Serial No. 10/038,170 :

Group Art Unit 1751

Filed October 22, 2001 :

Examiner N. Ogden

For IMPROVED ALKYLARYLS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of , the time for response being extended by zero (0)-months, pursuant to the fee charged to the Assignee's Deposit Account in the papers submitted herewith, please consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Please cancel Claim 11, 18, 28, and 35 without prejudice.

- 1-10. (amended) An alkylaryl composition suitable as a source for making alkylarylsulfonate surfactants, wherein said composition comprises at least two isomers of an alkylaryl of the formula:



wherein:

L is an acyclic aliphatic hydrocarbyl of from 6 to 18 carbon atoms in total;

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